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Director, FBI

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1 - Mr. Long
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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Reference is made to your letter dated August 16, 1968, requesting that copies of all investigative reports and results of interviews prepared in this case be furnished you and referring to alleged delay on the part of this Bureau in furnishing the Department copies of reports dated May 15, 1968, and June 14, 1968, prepared by our Kansas City Office.

For your information, investigative reports prepared in this case fall into two categories: 1) those containing information of evidentiary value pertinent to the prosecution of the Federal violation involved; and 2) those containing the results of the extensive fugitive investigation conducted to locate and apprehend the subject, James Earl Ray.

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All investigative reports pertinent to the prosecution of the Federal violation involved have been furnished to the Department promptly and on a timely basis.

The remaining reports prepared in this case pertain solely to the extensive fugitive investigation conducted to locate the subject. Such reports are not normally furnished to the Department since they contain only information relative to the fugitive aspect of the case and do not contain information of evidentiary value or of pertinence to the prosecution of the Federal violation involved.

The reports prepared by our Kansas City Office and referred to in your letter fall into this category. An additional twenty such reports have been prepared by our various field divisions, and in accordance with your specific request, copies of all these reports will be furnished under separate cover to the Attorney General, to you and to the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division.

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For your information, Assistant Attorney General Fred M. Vinson, Jr., by letter dated July 12, 1968, which was received in this Bureau July 15, 1968, requested that the records of the Missouri State Penitentiary be reviewed pertaining to Ray and references to Ray's family background; education; physical, medical and psychiatric examinations and disciplinary proceedings be summarized. Such records had previously been reviewed in the initial phase of the fugitive aspect of this investigation, and the results of the review had been set forth in the pertinent reports prepared by our Kansas City Office and referred to in your letter. Since they contained the desired information requested by Assistant Attorney General Vinson, copies of these reports were furnished to Mr. Vinson on July 19, 1968, with a copy for you, even though they did not appear to contain information relevant to the prosecutive aspects of this case, but rather to the fugitive investigation.

We will continue to furnish to the Department, on a timely basis, copies of investigative reports and the results of interviews prepared in this case.

NOTE: See memo Rosen to DeLoach, dated 8/21/68, captioned, "MURKIN," JGK:cs.